

**CITY COUNCIL RESEARCH DIVISION
LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY**



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Bill Type and Number: Ordinance 2025-161

Introducer/Sponsor(s): Council Member White

Date of Introduction: February 25, 2025

Committee(s) of Reference: NCSPHS, R, F

Date of Analysis: February 27, 2025

Type of Action: Appropriation; Ordinance Code waiver; authorization to execute grant agreement; designation of oversight agency

Bill Summary: The bill appropriates \$114,272 from a Special Council Contingency account for the City Council's FY24-25 Strategic Plan to provide grant funding to Trinity Rescue Mission (TRM) to operate a homeless transportation program and a food delivery program. Provisions of Ordinance Code Chapter 118 – City Grants – are waived to permit a direct contract with TRM. The administration is authorized to execute a grant agreement with the agency for the project funding.

Background Information: Trinity Rescue Mission's Transportation Assistance Program provides reliable transportation for individuals who have entered TRM's Lifeline Program(s) to obtain and sustain employment. Additionally, it provides transportation to pick up and drop off food for the homeless. Lack of transportation is a major barrier to economic stability, often preventing individuals from accessing interviews, consistent employment, and nutritional food. This Program ensures that residents in TRM's Lifeline Programs have access to safe, scheduled transportation to workplaces, and access to food. The Program aims to increase employment access by providing transportation for at least 50 individuals in TRM Lifeline Programs annually to acquire state ID's or driver's licenses, and reach appointments, job interviews and/or work, helping them to secure and maintain stable employment. The program intends to provide transportation to at least 50 individuals and perform 6,500 trips annually and allow TRM to drop off and pick up essential food for homeless individuals.

Policy Impact Area: Homelessness assistance

Fiscal Impact: The bill appropriates \$114,272 from a Special Council Contingency account for the City Council's FY24-25 Strategic Plan

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